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SUBJ: POOL AMERICAS' PLAN TO PROTEST TO SUPREME COUNCIL

REF: MEMORANDUM OF FEBRUARY 9

1. NORMAN SELEY, LOCAL MANAGER OF POOL AMERICAS, CALLED ON DCM AND D/C OFFICER MARCH 31 ON THE ADVISE OF HIS HOME OFFICE (LONE STAR NATURAL GAS) TO ASK IF EMBASSY SAW ANY REASON WHY A LETTER REVIEWING POOL'S EFFORTS TO RE-EXPORT ITS IDLE EQUIPMENT, AND ASKING FOR INDEMNIZATION, SHOULD NOT BE DELIVERED TO THE SUPREME COUNCIL. DCM SAID THAT OTHER AMERICAN FIRMS HAD COMMUNICATED DIRECTLY WITH THE SUPREME COUNCIL.

2. POOL DELIVERED SIMILAR LETTER OF COMPLAINT TO MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES RENE VARGAS MARCH 26, OUTLINING POOL'S REPEATED ATTEMPTS TO SECURE EXPORT PERMITS FOR TWO WORKOVER RIGS, ASKING FOR INDEMNIZATION FROM THE GOE FOR LOSSES INCURRED TO DATE, AND AGAIN REQUESTING THE MINISTER'S ASSISTANCE IN SECURING EXPORT DOCUMENTS. VARGAS ASKED
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POOL CORPORATION TO DELIVER A SIMILAR LETTER TO THE

SUPREME COUNCIL. THE DCM POINTED OUT THAT VARGAS PROBABLY WANTED TO USE POOL'S LETTER AS AMMUNITION AGAINST TEXACO-GULF RATHER THAN ASSIST POOL IN RE-EXPORTING ITS EQUIPMENT.

3. SELEY SAID THAT, IN HIS OPINION, POOL AMERICAS HAS LITTLE CHANCE OF RE-EXPORTING ITS EQUIPMENT, SINCE THE GOE IS AWARE THAT NO OTHER CONTRACTORS WOULD BE WILLING TO BRING ANY EQUIPMENT IN WITHOUT A BANK GUARANTEE. JULIO GRANJA, SUB-DIRECTOR OF THE DIRECTORATE OF HYDROCARBONS, TOLD SELEY THAT CEPT MIGHT PICK UP THE POOL RIGS AND PUT THEM TO WORK "IN THE SAME PLACE THEY ARE NOW LOCATED," E.E., TEXACO-GULF FIELD OF SHUSHUFINDI.

4. COMMENT: CEPE HAS NO MONEY TO PAY POOL CORPORATION FOR WORKOVER OF TEXACO-GULF WELLS, ESPECIALLY SINCE CEPE HAS JUST CONTRACTED WITH U.S. FIRM LOFFLAND FOR ITS OWN DRILLING PROGRAM.
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